

19854. Misbranding of Salie's canker remedy. U. S. v. 22 Large Packages, et al., of Salie's Canker Remedy. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 27965. I. S. Nos. 48111, 48112. S. No. 5991.)

Examination of the drug product Salie's canker remedy, involved in this action, showed that the article contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing certain curative and therapeutic effects claimed for it on the bottle label.

On March 31, 1932, the United States attorney for the District of Maine, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for the district aforesaid a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 22 large packages and 70 small packages of the said Salie's canker remedy, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Portland, Me., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce on March 2, 1932, by E. R. Littlefield, from Rochester, N. H., to Portland, Me., and charging misbranding in violation of the food and drugs act as amended.

Analysis of a sample of the article by this department showed that it consisted of extracts from plant drugs including tannin, glycerin, and water.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was misbranded in that the following statements regarding its curative and therapeutic effects, appearing on the bottle labels, were false and fraudulent, since the said article contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing the effects claimed: (Large size) "Canker Remedy * * * Canker, Common Sore Throat, Diphtheria and Diarrhoea. * * * an extremely valuable remedy for the relief of the above named ailments. Directions: for Canker of the Mouth and Sore Throat. * * * For Canker of the Stomach and Diarrhoea, take a teaspoonful of Salie's Canker Remedy three times a day. For Diphtheria, use Salie's Canker Remedy as a gargle every half hour until the coating is removed, then every 2 or 3 hours;" (small size) "Canker Remedy * * * Canker, Common Sore Throat and Diarrhoea * * * an extremely valuable remedy for the relief of the above named ailments. Directions: For Canker of the Mouth, * * * For Sore Throat, * * * For Canker of the Stomach and Diarrhoea."

On July 29, 1932, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

HENRY A. WALLACE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

19855. Misbranding of Ectonal dental poultices. U. S. v. 107 Packages of Ectonal Dental Poultices. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (No. 20377-A. F. & D. No. 29016.)

Examination of the drug product involved in this case disclosed that the article contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing certain curative and therapeutic effects claimed in the labeling.

On October 8, 1932, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for the district aforesaid a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 107 packages of Ectonal dental poultices, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Philadelphia, Pa., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce, in various consignments, on or about September 24, 1931, April 29 and May 3, 1932, by the Claymor Co., from Brooklyn, N. Y., to Philadelphia, Pa., and charging misbranding in violation of the food and drugs act as amended.

Analysis by this department of a sample of the article showed that it consisted of small gauze bags, each containing approximately 0.1 gram of a mixture of broken and powdered substances including red pepper, hops, belladonna leaves, and acacia.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was misbranded in that the following statements regarding the curative or therapeutic effects of the said article, were false and fraudulent: (Carton) "Aids in relieving discomfort of toothache, simple abscess, inflammation * * * congestion * * * of teeth and gums. * * * Place an Ectonal Dental Poultice * * * until pain is relieved. * * * Ectonal Dental Poultice will relieve a toothache due to any cause with the exception of a cavity;" (circular) "Relieves toothache and pain of the gums, due to * * * abscess, congestion, inflammation * * * Place an Ectonal Dental Poultice * * * until pain is relieved. Ectonal Dental Poultice will relieve a toothache due to any cause with the exception of